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In re the Application of

Inventors: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al. Art Unit: 2753

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For: SYSTEM INCLUDING OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESS AND SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS (AS AMENDED)

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to MPEP §1.410.01, the undersigned, a duly authorized representative of Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., the Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent No. 5,235,581, hereby establishes the Assignee's ownership interest in this patent by specifying that the evidence of such ownership interest is recorded at Reel 5796, Frame 0668 of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office microfilm files. A copy of the recorded Assignment is attached.

For and on behalf of

MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.


(Signature)

Osamu Yamazaki
Director, Intellectual Property Center
Authorized Signing Officer

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ASSIGNMENT

IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of One Dollar(\$1.00) or the equivalent thereof, and other good and valuable consideration paid to Naoyasu MIYAGAWA and Yasuhiro GOTOH,

citizens of Japan by MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of Japan,

located at 1006, Oaza Kadoma, Kadoma-shi, Osaka, Japan,

receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said Naoyasu MIYAGAWA and Yasuhiro GOTOH,

do hereby sell and assign to said MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.,

its successors and assigns, all our right, title and interest, in and for the United States of America, in and to "OPTICAL DISC APPARATUS"

invented by us and described in the application for United States Letters Patent therefor, executed on even date herewith, and all United States Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, continuations and extention thereof, the said interest being the entire ownership of the said Letters Patent when granted, to be held and enjoyed by said

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its Successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the full end of term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made;

And we hereby agree to sign and execute any further documents or instruments which may be necessary, lawful, and proper in the prosecution of said above-named application or in the preparation and prosecution of any continuing, continuation-in-part, substitute, divisional, renewal, reviewed or reissue applications or in any amendment, extention, or interference proceedings, or otherwise to secure the title thereto in said assignee;

And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to said MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.

Signed on the dates indicated aside our signatures:

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